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FROM : AmEmb MOGADISCIO

DATE: November 3, 1962

SUBJECT: Views of the Soviet Ambassador on the Cuban Crisis

REF :

Soviet Ambassador Ghennadi I. FOMINE has returned to Mogadiscio following a long absence - most of which was spent in the Soviet Union but during part of which he served as a Soviet delegate to the Uganda Independence Celebrations.

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In a conversation in which the French Ambassador and the Sudanese Minister also took part, Fomine remarked that he had been in Moscow during the height of the Cuban crisis. From what he knew of the attitude of the Soviet people at the time, the crisis had been very grave indeed. He was pleased that a peaceful solution had been found. The reason why the Soviet Union had put the bases in Cuba, he stated, was to teach a lesson to the United States. The Soviets wanted us to know how it felt to have foreign missile bases close to our own soil.

Comment: Presumably this is the official line.

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